

board of directors for Greater Phoenix Leadership, the Translational Genomics Research Institute, the Arthritis Foundation Greater Southwest Chapter, the Arizona State University (ASU) W.P. Carey School of Business Center for Services Leadership, the ASU President's Club, and the ASU Dean's Council of 100. Mr. Boals is also co-chair of the Phoenix Police Reserve Foundation board of directors and is currently working with the Salvation Army as their Capital Campaign Committee Chairman. In addition, Mr. Boals has served in the past as chairman of the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce, the Arthritis Foundation Greater Southwest Chapter, the Arizona Quality Alliance, the Arizona Affordable Health Care Foundation, and Teach for America.

Through his contributions to his community, Mr. Boals also serves as a great role model to all of us. Again, I congratulate Richard Boals on this award, and I thank him for everything he has done for his fellow community members.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROB BISHOP

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Madam Speaker, consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I am submitting the following earmark disclosure information regarding project funding I had requested and which was not originally included in the House reported version, but which was included within the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2892. To the best of my knowledge, funding for this project: (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds. I further certify that neither my spouse, nor I, have any personal financial interests in this request.

Project Title: Distributed Environment for Critical Infrastructure Decision-making Exercises (DECIDE)

Amount: \$3 million

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT)

Bill Number: H.R. 2892

Account: DHS Science & Technology —

Address of Requesting Entity: Utah State University

Location: Old Main Hill, Logan, Utah 84322—1400.

Matching Funds: Not applicable

Detailed Spending Plan: Not applicable.

Description and Justification of Funding: Funding is needed to continue efforts begun last year to develop digital and informational technology tools to help private financial institutions and other private sector institutions vital to the U.S. economy to coordinate defenses against increasingly sophisticated and growing cyber attack threats that, if not defended against, could have devastating implications for our economy as well as homeland security interests. Utah State University is a participant in a consortium of higher educational research institutions called the "Cyber Conflict Research Consortium (CCRC) which

also includes Miami University (Ohio); Norwich University Applied Research Institutes; Potomac Institute for Policy Studies; and the University of Nevada Reno.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF FALLEN U.S. MILITARY HEROES, THE SACRIFICE OF THEIR FAMILIES, AND THE WORK OF THE SNOWBALL EXPRESS ORGANIZATION

HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, today I honor the memory of our fallen military heroes, recognize the sacrifice of their families and laud the excellent work of the Snowball Express Organization and its many partners, sponsors and volunteers.

Freedom is not free—it comes at an incredible cost. Throughout our nation's history, whenever our country is attacked or when the enemies of freedom threaten peace in our world, American men and women in uniform, from all backgrounds and all walks of life, have answered the call to defend our nation. From the American Revolution to Operation Iraqi Freedom, many of America's best and brightest have paid the price of our freedom with their lives.

The families of these brave men and women also make tremendous sacrifices. Military families play a vital support role to our troops in harm's way and are left to carry on life without their wife, husband, mother, father, brother or sister. As much as we remember the men and women who lay down their life to protect us, we should also remember and support their families and the incredible sacrifice they make on a daily basis, as they seek to continue on with their life, remembering and honoring their departed loved one. My son and daughter live in a better, more free and more secure America because of the sacrifices of these families and their heroes.

Snowball Express was founded with the goal of providing "hope and new memories to the children of our fallen military heroes who died while on active duty since September 11, 2001." I can only imagine how hard it must be to carry on with holidays, birthdays and normal life with your loved one missing. The outstanding staff, partners, sponsors and volunteers at Snowball Express are committed to providing rays of sunshine for children whose worlds have been rocked by incredible loss and they are to be commended.

As Ronald Reagan said, "We will always remember. We will always be proud. We will always be prepared, so we may always be free." Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Fifth District of Texas, I am humbled and honored to recognize our nation's heroes, their families and Snowball Express.

A TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND DR. CHERYL G. ANTHONY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of The Reverend Doctor Cheryl

G. Anthony, a visionary leader and inspiration to all.

Reverend Doctor Anthony is an anointed Woman of God. She holds a Master's degree in Theology and Religious Education, as well as a Doctoral degree in Sacred Theology. She is an alumnus of Harvard University Divinity School Leadership Institute. She is also a graduate of Cornell University's Family Development Institute, and a certified trainer providing specialized services to underserved populations throughout New York City. The Doctor Anthony realizes that all of her accomplishments have been made possible by the Almighty Father.

Not only an artisan and visionary, Dr. Anthony is the Founder, CEO and Pastor of the renowned and awarded JUDAH International Christian Center, Inc. (JUDAH), in Brooklyn, New York. A twenty-five year veteran committed to community and human development, Dr. Anthony and JUDAH have been recognized nationally by former President Bill Clinton as well as former President George W. Bush as a progressive and cutting-edge leader and outstanding organization in the faith-based community, addressing holistic faith-based development and empowerment.

Dr. Anthony's stellar leadership includes holding the exclusive distinction as the first and only woman elected as chairperson of the Board of the Central Brooklyn Churches, Inc. Her passion for addressing the needs of women and girls has led her to establish and organize the "Women of Faith Advocating Change (WFAC)" partnership comprised of clergy, elected officials and community leaders in Brooklyn. WFAC's mission is to provide clergy-led leadership in developing faith strategies to combat health disparities for African American women and girls. She is vice president of the Labor-Religion Coalition of New York State; past chair of the Bedford-Stuyvesant/Crown Heights HIV Care Network steering committee and member of the Board of Directors of the Fordham University Bertram M. Beck Institute on Religion and Poverty. She is the creative force behind the award winning "Wholistic Approach to Community Wellness Program" (WACW), a national faith-based best practice model, which assists religious leaders, government representatives and community stakeholders grappling with social challenges. Dr. Anthony possesses the unique ability to gracefully and skillfully blend professional ethics, business acumen, social and cultural activism in order to proclaim a living Gospel.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing The Reverend Doctor Cheryl G. Anthony, a woman called into the Kingdom to serve her generation through the power of God.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2892, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 15, 2009

Mr. LOEBSACK. Madam Speaker, in 2008, the State of Iowa experienced the worst natural disaster in our state's history which left 85

of 99 total counties presidentially declared disaster areas. This flooding particularly devastated the City of Cedar Rapids. In addition to having nearly all of their critical government and public facilities damaged, the flooding also severely damaged the city's main public library.

The Cedar Rapids Library was an 83,961 square foot facility, owned by the city which also housed city staff. The main Library contained 150,000 volumes in the Adult Collection and 100,000 volumes in the Children's Collections, all of which are currently displaced.

After two appeals from the city, FEMA continues to state that the city's library is not eligible for temporary relocation assistance despite the fact that the Stafford Act provides for "provision of temporary facilities for schools and other essential community services." The Stafford Act also includes libraries in the definition of private nonprofit facilities and states that they provide essential services of a governmental nature to the general public.

As a former educator myself, I know the critical role libraries play in education. Since the floods of 2008, I have also seen the essential public services they provide to nearly all aspects of severely damaged communities.

In fact, FEMA itself directs disaster victims to their local library to use the internet to apply for federal disaster assistance. Public libraries also allow citizens to look for jobs, or seek other support services needed in the aftermath of disasters such as the flooding in Iowa. Libraries have certainly evolved to become more than collections of books and periodicals.

In modern-day communities, they are a vital communication hub, providing access to computers and the internet for individuals that may not be able to afford their own, and in a disaster, to those whose own property was damaged or destroyed. Further, the library is a partner with our school systems, providing research materials to students and supporting class instructional programs.

Many libraries also become a disaster recovery center for their community, and a point of distribution for meals and supplies needed during a disaster.

I urge FEMA to reconsider their internal policies and reexamine how libraries are defined in the Stafford Act in order to assist not only the Cedar Rapids Library, but other libraries that may be damaged and displaced by natural disasters in the future.

TRIBUTE TO DR. EUGENE C. GED

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I would like to call to your attention the deeds of an outstanding American, Dr. Eugene C. Ged, who was recognized by the St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Foundation with the 2009 William F. Johnson Award for his decades of service to his community.

Eugene was born in St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, and has spent the majority of his life in the city and its surrounding areas. He attended grammar school at St. George's, and went on to high school at St. John's. He received his undergraduate degree at the Uni-

versity of Pennsylvania and then earned his medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine. He served his internship and residency at St. Vincent's and a fellowship in cardiology at St. Michael's Medical Center. Soon, he was back to serve his hometown and the surrounding communities, joining St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center as an attending physician in cardiology. He also practiced at North Jersey Internal Medicine Associates.

Dr. Ged has worked hard to stay at the forefront of new practices in his field, and to help St. Joseph's to do the same. He performed the first-ever angiogram at St. Joseph's. He has served as a respected member, and later as vice president, of the medical board.

After his retirement from private practice, Dr. Ged sought to continue to give back to the Paterson community, his patients and his colleagues. Working with the late Don Alois, Dr. Ged spearheaded the creation of a non-profit entity for the hospital so that funds could be raised for crucial programs and facilities. In 1982, he worked with the other founding members to create the St. Joseph's Foundation, of which he would later serve as president. He was also the founder of the annual Charity Ball. Thirty-three years ago, the Charity Ball was held at Westmount Country Club and raised \$50,000. Now, the Charity Ball is still the most important benefit for St. Joseph's and raises more than one million dollars annually.

After his retirement from practicing medicine, Dr. Ged joined his brother George at Travel Forum, Inc., a full service travel business located in Totowa, New Jersey. He has since retired from the company. He now resides in Wyckoff, New Jersey and Naples, Florida with his wife, Erika. They have seven children and nine grandchildren.

The job of a United States congressman involves much that is rewarding, yet nothing compares to working with and recognizing the efforts of dedicated community servants like Dr. Eugene Ged.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, everyone involved in the St. Joseph's Foundation, Eugene's family and friends and me in recognizing Dr. Eugene C. Ged's outstanding service to his community.

THE FISA AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2009 SECTION-BY-SECTION

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Mr. CONYERS. Madam Speaker, the FISA Amendments Act of 2009 would amend FISA to protect the constitutional rights of Americans while ensuring that the government has the powers it needs to fight terrorism and collect intelligence.

SECTION 1—SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the FISA Amendments Act of 2009.

SECTION 2—TELECOMMUNICATIONS IMMUNITY

The bill would repeal the retroactive immunity provision in the FISA Amendments Act, leaving it to the courts to determine whether any telephone companies that complied with the illegal warrantless wiretapping program acted properly under the

laws in effect at the time and therefore deserve immunity. It would retain limitations on liability for acting in compliance with FISA, the criminal surveillance laws, the Protect America Act and the FISA Amendments Act.

SECTION 3—BULK COLLECTION

The bill retains the new authorities provided in the FISA Amendments Act but builds in additional safeguards to protect the rights of innocent Americans. The bill would prevent the government from using the warrantless collection authorities of the FISA Amendments Act to conduct "bulk collection," which could include the collection of the contents of all communications between the United States and the rest of the world. It would do so by requiring that the government have some foreign intelligence interest in the overseas party to the communications it is collecting. Bulk collection raises serious constitutional questions, and it could permit data mining of massive quantities of communications of Americans.

SECTION 4—REVERSE TARGETING

The bill would place additional limits on the warrantless collection authorities of the FISA Amendments Act to ensure that they are not used as a pretext when the government's real goal is to target the Americans with whom the ostensible foreign target is communicating. It would require a FISA Court order if the government is wiretapping a person overseas but "a significant purpose" of the surveillance is to collect the communications of the person in the United States with whom the person overseas is communicating.

SECTION 5—USE OF UNLAWFULLY OBTAINED INFORMATION

The bill would limit the government's use of information about U.S. persons that is obtained under FISA Amendments Act procedures that the FISA Court later determines to be unlawful, while still giving the FISA Court flexibility to allow such information to be used in appropriate cases. This provides a basic incentive for the government to target foreign agents overseas rather than innocent Americans here in the United States. It is similar to the existing law that limits the use of information collected pursuant to FISA's emergency authority if the FISA Court determines after the fact that the FISA standard was not met.

SECTION 6—PROTECTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS OF AMERICANS

The bill would permit unfettered acquisition of foreign-to-foreign communications and of communications of suspected terrorists into or out of the United States, while creating safeguards for communications not related to terrorism that the government knows have one end in the United States. Specifically:

When the government knows in advance that a foreign target is communicating with someone in the United States, it can acquire that communication if it involves terrorism, if someone's safety is at stake, or with a court order.

When the government does not know in advance with whom a foreign target is communicating, it can acquire all of that target's communications, without individualized court review. If the government later realizes that it has acquired a communication with one end in the U.S., it must segregate that communication in a separate database. It can then access, analyze and disseminate that communication if the communication involves terrorism, if someone's safety is at stake, or if the government has obtained a court order.